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SUBJ: ACCREDITATION OF AMB CRAWFORD

RE STATE 185870 AND NICOSIA 2562

1. ADDRESSEES WILL HAVE NOTED THAT TURK CYPRIOTS NOW STYLING TCPA AS "TURK CYPRIOT AUTONOMOUS ADMINISTRATION" (TCAA). BAYRAK HAS BEEN CALLING ON GREEK CYPRIOTS TO ESTABLISH SIMILAR ORGANIZATION IN SOUTH.

2. SUBSEQUENT TO CONVERSATIONS REPORTED NICOSIA REFTEL, TCPA MEMBER FOR DEFENSE OREK BOASTED TO EMBOFF THAT PARTITION (TAKSIM) HAD TAKEN PLACE ALREADY. OREK EXPLICITLY STATED THAT IF GREEK CYPRIOTS REFUSE BARGAIN ON BASIS "EXISTING FACTS", TURK CYPRIOTS WILL PROCLAIM INDEPENDENT TURKISH CYPRIOT REPUBLIC. HE THEN RAISED QUESTION AMBASSADOR CRAWFORD'S ACCREDITATION. EMBOFF RESPONDED ALONG LINES NICOSIA REFTEL.

3. OREK'S REPLY, DELIVERED JOCLARLY BUT WITH UNDERLINED THREAT, WAS THAT IT WOULD "BE A SHAME IF BILL CAN NOT VISIT THIS SIDE OF ISLAND, PARTICULARLY SINCE HE OWNS SUCH A BEAUTIFUL PIECE OF

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LAND".

4. COMMENT: AS DEPT (AND AMBASSADOR CRAWFORD) WELL AWARE, OREK IS BOMBASTIC INDIVIDUAL WHOSE VIEWS FREQUENTLY VARY FROM OFFICIAL TCPA (AND GOT) POLICY. NEVERTHELESS, FACT THAT WE HAVE BEEN HIT ON THREE SEPARATE OCCASIONS ON ACCREDITATION QUESTION INDICATES THAT TURK CYPRIOTS, PRESUMABLY ON ANKARA'S INSTRUCTIONS, ARE PREPARED TO MAKE MAJOR ISSUE THIS SUBJECT. WOULD BE USEFUL IF EMB ANKARA COULD WEIGH IN WITH FONMIN BEFORE TURKISH POSITION GETS SET IN CONCRETE. BROWN

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